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§ 701.33 Reimbursement, insurance, and indemnification of officials and employees.

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(i) * * * Such payments may include the payment of travel costs for officials and one guest per official;

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§ 701.34 Designation of low-income status; receipt of secondary capital accounts by low-income designated credit unions.

- (a) Designation of low-income status. (1) Section 107(6) of the Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1757(6)) authorizes federal credit unions serving predominantly low-income members to receive shares, share drafts and share certificates from nonmembers. In order to utilize this authority, a federal credit union must receive a low-income designation from its Regional Director. The designation may be removed by the Regional Director upon notice to the federal credit union if the definitions set forth in paragraphs (a) (2) and (3) of this section are no longer met. Removals may be appealed to the NCUA Board within 60 days. Appeals should be submitted through the Regional Director.
- (2) The term low-income members shall mean those members who make less than 80 percent of the average for all wage earners as established by the Bureau of Labor Statistics or those members whose annual household income falls at or below 80 percent of the median household income for the nation as established by the Census Bureau or those members otherwise defined as low-income members as determined by order of the NCUA Board.
- (i) In documenting its low-income membership, a credit union that serves a geographic area where a majority of residents fall at or below the annual income standard is presumed to be serving predominantly low-income members. In applying the standards, Regional Directors shall make allowances for geographical areas with higher costs of living. The following is the exclusive list of geographic areas with the differentials to be used:

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Hawaii	40
Alaska	36
Washington, DC	19
Boston	17
San Diego	15
Los Angeles	14
New York	13
San Francisco	13
Seattle	
Chicago	7
Philadelphia	7

- (ii) The term *low-income member* also includes those members who are enrolled as full-time or part-time students in a college, university, high school, or vocational school.
- (3) The term *predominantly* is defined as a simple majority.
- (b) Receipt of secondary capital accounts by low-income designated credit unions. A Federal credit union having a designation of low income status pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section may offer secondary capital accounts to nonnatural person members and nonnatural person nonmembers on the following conditions:
- (1) Prior to offering secondary capital accounts, the credit union shall adopt, and forward to the appropriate NCUA Regional Director, a written plan for use of the funds in the secondary capital accounts and subsequent liquidity needs to meet repayment requirements upon maturity of the accounts.
- (2) The secondary capital account must be established as a uninsured secondary capital account or other form of non-share account.
- (3) The maturity of the secondary capital account must be for a minimum of five years.
- (4) The secondary capital account must not be redeemable prior to maturity.
- (5) The secondary capital account shall not be insured by the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or any governmental or private entity.
- (6) The secondary capital account holder's claim against the credit union must be subordinate to all other claims including those of shareholders, creditors and the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund.